**GRANDMOTHER’S STAR**

Finished Block 12” (with seam allowances 12-1/2”) · 3 X 3 Block

**FABRICS:** From spiking, exploding rays of stars in space to the microcosm in our garden, we wonder at the Universe! (A) is soft rose pink, (B) deep wine rose, (C) soft gray leaf green and (D) and (E) are deep leaf green. Each path leads to new wonders in nature!

**STEP 1.** Cut off 6” from strips A and B. Sew together strips short AB, AD, BD. Press to the darker or press seams open. Subcut into 2-1/2” x 4-1/2” pieces.

**STEP 2.** Make (1) four-patch unit ABAB. Make (4) four-patch units AEBE. Press.

**STEP 4:** Sew the units together, as in diagram above, being careful to keep starpoints clear of seams. Press and trim to 12-1/2” square. Attach label. :-)

**A.K.A. GRANDMOTHER’S STAR** is one form of the popular EIGHT-POINTED STAR or 54-40 or FIGHT block, so named because in the mid 1800s President Polk used it during his campaign to declare the boundary line for the US in Oregon or war with Britain! Some names include SUN RAY, RAILROAD QUILT, ROAD TO PARADISE, BIRD OF PARADISE, GARDEN WALK, GARDEN PATCH, TEXAS, DOVE AT THE WINDOW, JUDY IN ARABIA, CLAWS, PINEAPPLE, MAYFLOWER, STAR IN SPACE, CYBER STAR, DOUBLE Z, SCATTERED POINTS, MALTESE CROSS, NINE-PATCH STAR, OLD FASHIONED PINWHEEL, PANAMA STAR, STAR GEESE, TENNESEE WALTZ (with Snowball)... (Sources: Hall, Rehmel, Brackman, Malone)
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